included in the Marketing Plan 1996-98 for Orissa and West Bengal are given below. The action for selection of dealers is in progress.

Category	*Orissa*		*West Bangal*	
	RO	*LPG*	*RO*	*LPG*
Scheduled Castes	01	04	11	07
Scheduled Tribes	06	06	03	04
Paramilitary/Police/Govt. Personnel	01	03	04	03
Defence Category	01	03	01	03
Freedom Fighter	..	01	01	01
Outstanding Sports persons	..	01	01	01
Physcically Handicapped	01	02	02	02
Open	07	19	27	20
Total	*17*	*39*	*5*	*41*

पेट्रोल में मिलावट की जांच संबंधी छापे

1966. **श्री मुनव्वर हसन :** क्या **पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत छः माह के दौरान देश के विभिन्न राज्यों में पैट्रोल में मिलावट की जांच करने के लिए मारे गए छापों का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ख) विभिन्न राज्यों के उन पैट्रोल पम्पों का ब्यौरा क्या है जहां जांच करने पर मिलावट पाई गई, और

(ग) सरकार ने अब तक उन पर क्या कार्यवाही की अथवा इस मामले में क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार रखती है?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोष कुमार गंगवार): (क) से (ग) खुदरा बिक्री केन्द्रों पर मिलावट कदाचारों और अनियमितताओं को रोकथाम करने के लिए पूरे देश में तेल कंपनियों के पदाधिकारियों और राज्य सरकार प्राधिकारियों द्वारा समय-समय पर निरीक्षण किए जाते हैं और विपणन अनुशासन दिशानिर्देशों और मोटर स्पिरिट और उच्च गति डीजल (आपूर्ति और वितरण में कदाचार निषेध) आदेश, 1990 के अनुसार कारवाई की जाती है।

हाल ही में 29-10-98 से 2-11-98 के दौरान पूरे देश में एक विशेष सतर्कता अभियान का आयोजन किया गया जिसके परिणामस्वरूप 98 खुदरा बिक्री केन्द्रों को पैट्रोल और डीजल की आपूर्ति निलम्बित कर दी गई थी ।

Production of crude oil

1967. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how much crude oil has been produced in different oil fields in the country by O.N.G.C. and O.I.L. during the last three years;

(b) how much crude oil has been produced by the private companies;

(c) whether the crude oil produced in Assam and North-East is sufficient for four refineries located in Assam (including N.R.L.); and

(d) if not, what is the shortage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) and (b) The crude oil production from ONGC, OIL and private/JV fields during the last three years are as under:

(figures in MMT)

Year	ONGC	OIL	JV	Total
1995-96	31.635	2.882	0.65	35.167
1996-97	28.685	2.870	1.345	32.900
1997-98	28.250	3.094	2.514	33.858

(c) No, Sir.

d) Numaligarh Refinery is expected to be commissioned in March' 99. The shortage of crude for 1999-2000 for four refineries located in Assam (including NRL) is expected to be 1.886 MMT.

Policy for LpG dealership in Tehsil Headquarters of Hilly areas

1968. SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the present policy to allot LPG dealership in Tehsil Headquarters of a Hilly State;

(b) whether the present policy of LPG dealership in Hilly areas has been reducing the forest areas of the region;

(c) whether the consumers of LPG in Hilly areas have to carry heavy LPG cylinders at risk of their lives:

(d) whehter Government propose to amend the existing LPG dealership rules to set up the same in villages to avoid the apprehension as in parts (b) and (c); and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) LPG distributorships are opened in the country subject to the locations meeting the feasibility and economic viability norms of the Oil Industry including in the hilly areas.

(b) In order to protect the forests in hilly areas, Government has allowed release of LPG connections across the counter at the locations situated above the altitude of 2000 ft. MSL in all the hilly areas.

(c) to (e) Generallly, home delivery of LPG refills is made in main markets, where the LPG distributorship is located. In hilly areas, the villages are generally thinly populated and are situated far off from the main distributor's point and scattered in different directions. Under such circumstances, it becomes too prohi-